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6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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10 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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TREANDOUS COTTON,

No. C 13-1239 WHA (PR)

Petitioner,

**ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR
DISCOVERY; GRANTING
EXTENSION OF TIME**

v.

R. GROUNDS,

(Dkt. 10, 12)

Respondent.

16 Petitioner, a California prisoner incarcerated at Salinas Valley State Prison, filed this pro
17 se petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2254 challenging disciplinary
18 findings that resulted in his loss of “good time” credits. Respondent has filed an answer.
19 Petitioner filed a motion for discovery and for an extension of time to file a traverse.

20 Under Rule 6(a) of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases, discovery is only allowed
21 upon a showing of “good cause.” Petitioner seeks discovery about the existence of “kites or
22 bundles” allegedly recovered from petitioner prior to the search of his cell in which prison
23 officials found a weapon. The existence of the kites was included in the crime reports that are
24 already a part of the record in this case to which petitioner has access (Pet. Ex. A at 22; Ans.
25 Ex. 2). Petitioner also seeks discovery about the reason that officers searched him for the kites
26 and bundles. That issue is not relevant to the issues presented here, namely whether there was
27 “some evidence” that he had a weapon in his cell and whether he was afforded procedural
28 protections required by due process in his disciplinary hearing. Petitioner has not shown good

1 cause to engage in the discovery he seeks, and the motion is consequently **DENIED**. Good cause
2 appearing, the motion for an extension of time to file a traverse is **Granted**. Petitioner may file
3 a traverse on or before **November 12, 2013**.

4 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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6 Dated: October 7, 2013.

Wm. Alsup
7 WILLIAM ALSUP
8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE